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**St. Louis Public Radio - Concerns Over Minority Hiring Dominate Asbestos Cleanup Meeting In North St. Louis** - 4/10/14 - The meeting hosted Thursday night by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency was supposed to focus on the start of asbestos cleanup at the former Carter Carburetor manufacturing plant in North St. Louis. But most of the often heated questioning was aimed at the plant's former owner, ACF Industries, and its main contractor, AMEC.  
<http://news.stlpublicradio.org/post/concerns-over-minority-hiring-dominate-asbestos-cleanup-meeting-north-st-louis>

**St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Residents concerned about local hiring at Carburetor site** - 4/9/14 - With asbestos removal expected to start within weeks on the Carter Carburetor site, the Environmental Protection Agency gathered residents Thursday night to update them on the project that will finally clean and demolish the long-vacant and contaminated building. But that's not what most of them wanted to talk about. [http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/metro/residents-concerned-about-local-hiring-at-carburetor-site/article\\_b1937446-9a15-52cb-8bda-59ac4baa05cc.html](http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/metro/residents-concerned-about-local-hiring-at-carburetor-site/article_b1937446-9a15-52cb-8bda-59ac4baa05cc.html)

**St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Why are Lafayette County Republicans interested in West Lake Landfill?** - 4/10/14 - Why do Republican leaders in a rural county outside Kansas City care so much about a radioactive landfill in Bridgeton? They are concerned about the possibility of nuclear waste being hauled through their area. They also have connections to the landfill's owner, Republic Services.  
[http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/govt-and-politics/political-fix/why-are-lafayette-county-republicans-interested-in-west-lake-landfill/article\\_3dfb2019-dcba-5b03-81a6-d387ff01853a.html](http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/govt-and-politics/political-fix/why-are-lafayette-county-republicans-interested-in-west-lake-landfill/article_3dfb2019-dcba-5b03-81a6-d387ff01853a.html)

**Wichita Eagle - West Wichita groundwater contamination meeting brings some answers, many more questions** - 4/10/14 - A meeting held Thursday by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to address concerns over groundwater contamination caused by dry-cleaning solvents decades ago gave residents a few answers about the chemical's potential health risks and how and why the pollution happened but also left them reeling from a number of unknowns.  
<http://www.kansas.com/2014/04/10/3397993/west-wichita-groundwater-contamination.html>

**Kansas First News, Topeka, Kan. - Feds indict Kansas firm for pollution** - 4/10/14 - Federal prosecutors have charged a Kansas metal finishing business for allegedly dumping untreated wastewater into a city sewer system, then submitting fraudulent samples and reports of analysis to conceal the pollution from state environmental regulators. <http://kansasfirstnews.com/2014/04/10/feds-indict-kansas-firm-for-pollution/>

**Kansas First News, Topeka, Kan. - Kansas officials to discuss 50-year water plan** - 4/11/14 - State and local officials are gathering in Manhattan to discuss water needs in Kansas and begin developing a

50-year plan for managing water resources. <http://kansasfirstnews.com/2014/04/11/kansas-officials-to-discuss-50-year-water-plan/>

**Farm Futures - Ag Industry Groups Meet with EPA Official to Discuss Future of RFS** - 4/10/14 - an organized group of pro-renewable energy groups on Wednesday met with Acting EPA Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation Janet McCabe to outline concerns regarding the agency's proposal to reduce biofuel blending requirements this year under the federal Renewable Fuel Standard. <http://farmfutures.com/story-ag-industry-groups-meet-epa-official-discuss-future-rfs-0-111088>

**Brownfield Ag News - One side of the Renewable Fuels Standard debate** - 4/10/14 - Debate about the Renewable Fuels Standard goes beyond repeal and extension. Vermont Democrat Peter Welch, a member of the House Energy & Commerce Committee, called the RFS a "well-intended flop". <http://brownfieldagnews.com/2014/04/10/side-renewable-fuels-standard-debate/>

**National Hog Farmer - EPA Administrator Says Water Rule is Intended to Provide Clarity for Farmers** - 4/10/14 - According to Feedstuffs, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Gina McCarthy says the newly proposed waters of the U.S. rule is meant to provide clarity and certainty for farmers to do what they do, which is farm. <http://nationalhogfarmer.com/environment/epa-administrator-says-water-rule-intended-provide-clarity-farmers>